

REMARKS

The following remarks and attached are submitted in response to the Communication and Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated August 5, 2004 with regard to the instant Application. In the Communication, it is asserted that the amendment document filed May 20, 2004 is considered non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121. In particular, it is asserted that a complete listing of all claims is not present, and particularly that pending claims 9 and 36 are missing. Applicants submit herewith the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment, mailed by Applicants May 14, 2004, particularly the Claim Amendments section.

Status of the Claims

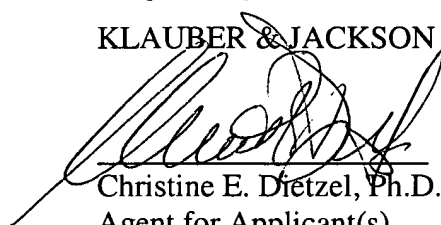
Claims 3-5, 7-9, 63, 66 and 68 are pending in the application.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments and remarks in the file history of the instant Application. The Claims as amended are believed to be in condition for allowance, and reconsideration and withdrawal of all of the outstanding rejections is therefore believed in order. Early and favorable action on the claims is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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